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My Fellow Coast Guardsmen:

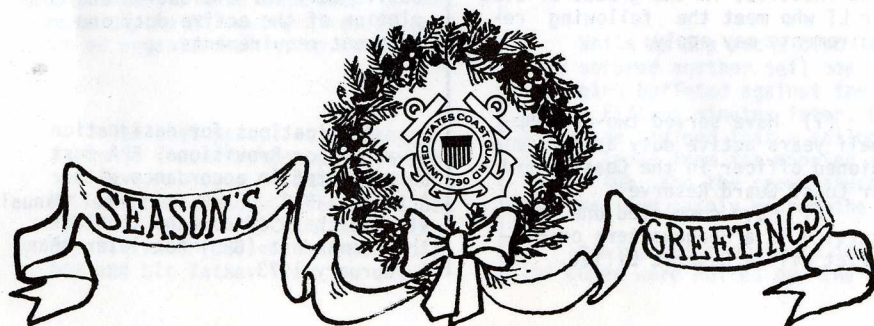
Once again it is my pleasure and privilege to extend holiday greetings to the men and women of the Coast Guard.

We have much to be thankful for this year. The war in Southeast Asia is winding down and most of our personnel have returned to their families. Here at home material blessings are becoming a reality for most of our military personnel as we move towards an all volunteer armed forces. It's an exciting time to be part of a dynamic Service, one involved in so many missions that benefit our fellow countrymen.

This holiday season is also an appropriate time for me to express my gratitude to each and every one of you, military or civilian, Regular or Reserve. You've done a marvelous job during 1972. You have every right to be proud of your accomplishments. The spirit with which Reserve personnel have pitched in as members of a single "team" is especially appreciated.

To you Coast Guardsmen serving far from home at this joyous time of year, I send special greetings and a prayerful wish that you are united with your loved ones as soon as possible. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.


C. R. BENDER
Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard



N.J. Unit Answers Call for Emergency Medical Assistance

Four Monmouth County, New Jersey reservists recently went to the aid of a Long Island woman injured on-board a sailboat off Sandy Hook, N.J., providing emergency first aid and then transporting her to a local medical center for treatment.

The case involved the sailboat "Lady Love", which radioed that it had a woman on-board who had suffered a deep cut on her forehead after she had fallen through a cabin hatch.

Manning one of the station's 40-foot utility boats, the four reservists got underway for the sailboat, treated the injured woman, and then escorted the boat into the Sandy Hook station, transferring her to a waiting ambulance. The lady was treated at the hospital and then released.

The reservists, all members of a unit which drills at Ft. Hancock, N.J., were Chief Hospital Corpsman Victor CALENDRIELLO, Boatswain's Mate First Class Richard MULLER, Boatswain's Mate Third Class Robert WEINTRAUB and Engineman Third Class William THORNTON. They were on duty at the Sandy Hook station at the time of the call, augmenting the Regular forces.

CALENDRIELLO, a New Jersey state highway employee, was cited early this year by the Service for volunteering his time steadily for SAR work. For his efforts, he was awarded the Coast Guard Commendation Medal by Vice Admiral B. F. ENGEL, Commander of the Third District.

Women at OCS?

Male Supremacy to Crumble at RTC Yorktown

Women will enter the Coast Guard's officer candidate program next year for the first time since World War II, Secretary John A. Volpe said recently. Upon completion of the 18-week OCS program at RTC Yorktown, they will be commissioned ensigns in the Coast Guard Reserve.

"This action is in line with President Nixon's intention that every woman has the freedom to choose whatever career she wishes, and an equal chance to pursue it," the Secretary said in his announcement.

Requirements for the women officer candidates basically will be the same as for men, Admiral Chester R. Bender, Commandant, explained. Those accepted must be college graduates, physically fit, between 21 and 27 years old and pass a written test.

The Coast Guard has not yet determined the number of women who will be enrolled in the officer candidate program, which convenes next February.

Admiral Bender said the Coast

Guard next year will seek legislation to appoint woman commissioned officers and to enlist women into the Coast Guard Reserve. Currently, law limits the participation of women to the World War II special women's reserve. "A limited number of women in the future will be offered commissions or enlistments in the regular Service once the new program is in operation," the Commandant said.

Admiral Bender explained the Coast Guard does not plan to accept women applicants for the Academy, since it would be difficult to justify the expense to produce officers who would be available only for selected assignments ashore. In addition, he said, the service does not now have legal authority to commission women into the regular Coast Guard.

A special board at Headquarters is currently studying the wide variety of tasks women could undertake to assist the Service in accomplishing its multi-mission role. The full role of women in the Service cannot be decided, however, until the board completes its study and submits a report to the Commandant.

Complete information on the OCS program is available from recruiting stations, District Headquarters offices or by writing Commandant (GPTP/72), Washington, D. C. 20590.

Reserve Response Meets Challenge Of Emergency Oil Spill Clean-up

Commander E.G. TAYLOR, TRACOR, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was requested by the COTP, Pittsburgh, to provide assistance to COTP personnel in the emergency clean-up of a recent oil spill on the Allegheny River. The emergency call-up procedure was implemented and the reservists went into action.

The response of the Reserve forces met the challenge, with 800 man-hours or 100 days of volunteer service by the reservists during the operation. 776 hours were expended by 24 reservists from ORTUPS 02-82147, Pittsburgh and 20 hours by three men from ORTUPS 02-82174, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Under CDR R. E. ANDERSON, COTP, Pittsburgh, Reserve personnel augmented the regulars through complete involvement in all aspects of the spill.

The reservists worked in investigating potential sources of the pollution, which required the review of various plans from industry, city and county officials; inspection of plant facilities, sewer systems, and water-front areas; and taking samples for laboratory analysis as well as placing dye in suspect areas.

Containment operations performed by the reservists consisted of placing a boom at the source of the spill, covering the contained area with straw

to absorb the oil, and then removing the contaminated straw. In addition, oil which was skimmed from the source was placed into 55-gallon drums and containment trenches which were dug and lined with plastic by the Reserve forces.

"In my opinion," CDR TAYLOR said, "the volunteer call-up proved to be a highly successful operation which can be attributed to the excellent cooperation between the Regular and the Reserve personnel."

RPA Designation Board Scheduled

A Board to designate Reserve officers as Reserve Program Administrators (RPAs) will be convened by the Commandant (GPO) in February 1973.

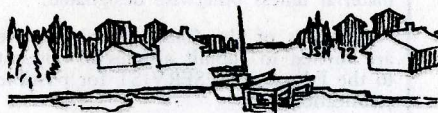
Reserve officers, both active and inactive, in the grades of LTJG or LT who meet the following requirements may apply:

(1) Have served two-and-one-half years active duty as a commissioned officer in the Coast Guard or Coast Guard Reserve.

(2) Have completed one year of service in a Headquarters or district office Reserve billet.

Inactive duty officers who have two-and-one-half years of service in a commissioned status who do not meet the assignment or active duty service requirement may apply for designation as Provisional RPAs. In this case, if selected, applicants will be ordered to extended active duty for evaluation and completion of the active duty and assignment requirements.

Applications for designation as an RPA or Provisional RPA must be submitted in accordance with Article 1-B-3 of the Personnel Manual via the chain of command to reach the Commandant (GPO) not later than 1 February 1973.



1. It is requested that I be provided with a retirement point computation.
2. I believe I have approximately _____ years of satisfactory service.

Name _____ Rank/rate _____

Service number _____

Social Security Number _____

Reserve Unit number _____

Home address if not in an Organized Reserve Unit:

WHAT ARE RETIREMENT POINTS?
HOW DO YOU EARN THEM?
WHAT PURPOSE DO THEY SERVE?

Retirement points serve as the statistical base from which to determine satisfactory service and compute retired pay.

Reservists earn points by attending drills, performing active duty, completing correspondence courses etc. They also receive 15 points per year "for membership" in a Reserve component. There is a limitation of 365 points per year (366 leap year).

Actual retirement pay is based on years of service and numbers of points. See the October issue for a retirement pay computation chart.

Make sure your point statements are correct--they mean money!!!

Boating Cases, Ecology Occupy Milwaukee Reservists

While on routine patrol during a recent weekend drill, members of a Milwaukee, Wisconsin Reserve unit successfully completed four boating cases. At the same time the boat crew was out on patrol, several other unit members were knee-deep in the muck of the Milwaukee River as part of an organized clean-up campaign.

The boat patrol action began early in the afternoon patrol when the five man crew of SNBM Randy WOLLERT, BM3 Pete ALMSTEDT, EN3 Lee KOTTKE, EN2 Dave WICHERT and FNEN Ray DIDERRICH pulled a 10-year-old boy and his father from the water

of Lake Michigan. At the time of the rescue, the victims' 22-foot sail boat was swamped in six-foot seas behind the breakwall. The boat was towed to the Milwaukee Yacht Club.

While at the Yacht Club, the crew secured another sail boat that was being buffeted against the break-wall. Fifteen minutes later, CG Base Milwaukee radioed that a sailboat had broken loose from its mooring at the Yacht Club, and the crew returned to the area and safely moored the craft.

Again, while en route to base, the CGmen were hailed by the skip-

per of a 45-foot sailboat, who requested a tow. Since the craft was under sail, the reservists recommended that they escort the craft to port.

Meanwhile, back at the Milwaukee River, EN3 LINEHAN, EN2 SYLVESTER, EN3 LISOWSKI and GM2 GAMMACH labored in the mire under the direction of LCDR SCHMIDT and PSCS Dick SIMON, as part of a clean-up campaign instituted by the Milwaukee Jaycees. Several thousand persons took part in the operation.

(Also on hand were television personality Hugh DOWNS and SEWER RAT, the JC's mascot during the campaign.)

DoD Space Available

The Department of Defense regulation (DOD 4515.13-R) concerning space available air transportation eligibility has been changed.

The eligible passengers now include:

Reservists in an active status, in uniform, upon presentation of their red ID card and execution of form DD-1853 (available from any MAC terminal) authenticating their active status in the Reserve (eligible for in-CONUS flights only.)

Retired-without-pay reservists upon presentation of their red ID card and official notification of retirement eligibility. (These personnel are eligible for in-CONUS flights only.)

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ARE YOUR POINT RECORDS UP TO DATE???

THIS ISSUE OF THE COAST GUARD RESERVIST CONTAINS A TEAR-OUT FORM FOR YOU TO SUBMIT TO HEADQUARTERS FOR VERIFICATION OF YOUR POINT RECORDS.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL PARTICULARLY ARE URGED TO SUBMIT THIS REQUEST. DO IT TODAY--IT WILL GIVE YOU A COMPLETE PROFILE OF YOUR SERVICE TO DATE.

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